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SUBJECT: ILO CONFERENCE: DEVELOPMENTS IN RESOLUTIONS
COMMITTEE

REF: GENEVA 09337

1. GENERAL DISCUSSION IN THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE ON
THE SYRIAN-LIBYAN RESOLUTION ON ISRAEL ENDED JUNE 21.
DELEGATES HAVE UNTIL 10:00 A.M. JUNE 22 TO SUBMIT
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS, HOWEVER, THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO
BE ANY MOVEMENT TO ATTEMPT TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION.
THERE HAS BEEN SOME DISCUSSION AMONG IMEC COUNTRIES AND
EMPLOYER AND WORKER DELEGATES TO ATTEMPT TO BEGIN
DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL RESOLUTIONS IN ORDER TO DELAY
FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE ANTI-ISRAEL RESOLUTION
UNTIL NEXT WEEK. SOME IMEC, WORKER AND EMPLOYER DELEGATES
HAVE LAUNCHED AN EFFORT TO DEFEAT THE RESOLUTION IN
COMMITTEE THROUGH ABSTENTIONS AND IF UNSUCCESSFUL, TO
TRY IT AGAIN IN THE PLENARY.

2. AT THE URGING OF DIRECTOR GENERAL BLANCHARD, CONFERENCE
PRESIDENT OJEDA (MEXICO) MET WITH RESOLUTION AUTHORS
IN ATTEMPT TO PERSUADE THEM TO WITHDRAW THE RESOLUTION
IN EXCHANGE FOR A STATEMENT BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
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THAT HE WOULD CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS IN
ISRAEL. THIS EFFORT FAILED. OJEDA ALSO, ON HIS OWN
INITIATIVE, ATTEMPTED TO BARGAIN FOR WITHDRAWAL OF THE
RESOLUTION IN EXCHANGE FOR APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 26,
PARA 4 OF THE CONSTITUTION WHICH WOULD HAVE ALLOWED THE
GOVERNING BODY TO APPOINT A COMMISSION OF INQUIRY ON
ITS OWN INITIATIVE TO LOOK INTO THE ISRAELI ISSUE.
MANY DELEGATES AND ILO STAFF WERE RELIEVED THAT THIS
INITIATIVE FAILED.

3. ISRAELI DELEGATES TOLD MISSION THEY WERE PLEASED
WITH THE TONE OF THE DEBATE ON THIS RESOLUTION. THEY
CHARACTERIZED IT AS LESS HOSTILE THAN IN PREVIOUS YEARS
AND NOTED PARTICULARLY THAT WORKER DELEGATES FROM
ICFTU SPOKE OUT VERY STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF DUE PROCESS
AND A RETURN OF THE ILO TO ITS PRINCIPAL TASK OF
PROTECTING WORKERS. SORENSON

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